

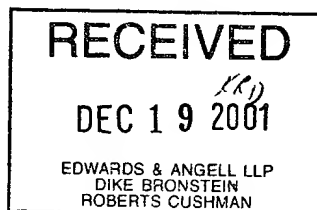


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The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495):

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- Biochemical Sequence Listing
- Copy of IPE Report
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- Copy of the International Search Report
- Information Disclosure Statements
- Oath or Declaration
- Request for Immediate Examination

Sequence Listing
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Date Rec'd 12/19/01
Docketed For Dec 24, 2001 - Jan 7, 2002
By AKD
Approved m/v/s/v

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- The nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosure contained in this application does not comply with the requirements for such a disclosure as set forth in 37 CFR 1.821-1.825 for the following reason(s):
 - See Raw Sequence Listing Error Report
 - APPLICANT MUST PROVIDE:
 - An initial or substitute paper copy or compact disc of the "Sequence Listing," as well as an amendment directing its entry into the specification.
- For questions regarding compliance to 37 CFR 1.821-1.825 requirements, please contact:
 - For Rules Interpretation, call (703) 308-4216
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Applicant is required to complete the response within a time limit of ONE MONTH from the date of this

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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: S. Mori et al.
 Application No.: 09/674,337
 Filed: October 30, 2000
 For: NICOTIANAMINE SYNTHASE AND GENE ENCODING THE SAME

Group No.: Not Yet Assigned
 Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

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 Washington, D.C. 20231
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 FOR BIOTECHNOLOGY INVENTION CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE
 AND/OR AMINO ACID SEQUENCE

(check and complete this item, if applicable)

1. ☒ This replies to the Office Letter DATED December 7, 2001.

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[X] A copy of the Office Letter is enclosed.

IDENTIFICATION OF PERSON MAKING STATEMENT

2. I, Peter F. Corless
(type or print name of person signing below)

state the following:

ITEMS BEING SUBMITTED

3. Submitted herewith is/are:

(check each item as applicable)

- A. [X] "Sequence Listing(s)" for the nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence(s) in this application.
Each "Sequence Listing" is assigned a separate identifier as required in 37 C.F.R. Section 1.821(c) and 37 C.F.R. Sections 1.822 and 1.823.
- B. [] An amendment to the description and/or claims, wherein reference is made to the sequence by use of the assigned identifier, as required in 37 C.F.R. Section 1.821(d).
- C. [X] A copy of each "Sequence Listing" submitted for this application in computer readable form, in accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. Sections 1.821(e) and 1.824.
- D. [] Please transfer to this application, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. Section 1.821(e), the computer readable copy(ies) from applicant's other application identified as follows:

In re application of:

Application No.: 0 /

Filed:

For:

Group No.:

Examiner:

The Computer readable form(s) of applicant's other application corresponds to the "Sequence Identifier(s)" of the application as follows:

Computer Readable Form
(other application)

"Sequence Identifier"
(this application)

NOTE: "If the computer readable form of a new application is to be identical with the computer readable form of another

application of the applicant on file in the Office, reference maybe made to the other application and computer readable form in lieu of filing a duplicate computer readable form in the new application. The new application shall be accompanied by a letter making such reference to the other application and computer readable form, both of which shall be completely identified." 37 C.F.R. Section 1.821(e).

- E. ☒ A statement that the content of each "Sequence Listing" submitted and each computer readable copy are the same, as required in 37 C.F.R. Section 1.821(g).

☐ Because the statement is not made by a person registered to practice before the Office, the Statement is verified as required in 37 C.F.R. Section 1.821(b).

- F. ☒ Because this submission is made in fulfilling the requirement under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.821(g), a statement that the submission includes no new matter.

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4. I hereby state:

(complete applicable item A and/or B)

- A. ☒ Each computer readable form submitted in this application, including those forms requested to be transferred from applicant's other application, is the same as the "Sequence Listing" to which it is indicated to relate.
- B. ☒ All papers accompanying this submission, or for which a request for transfer from applicants' other application, introduce no new matter.

STATUS

5. Applicant is

☐ a small entity. A statement:

☒ other than a small entity.

EXTENSION OF TERM

6.

NOTE: *"Extension of Time in Patent Cases (Supplement Amendments) If a timely and complete response has been filed after a Non-Final Office Action, an extension of time is not required to permit filing and/or entry of an additional amendment after expiration of the shortened statutory period.*

If a timely response has been filed after a Final Office Action, an extension of time is required to permit filing and/or entry of a Notice of Appeal or filing and/or entry of an additional amendment after expiration of the shortened statutory period unless the timely-filed response placed the application in condition for allowance. Of course, if a Notice of Appeal has

been filed within the shortened statutory period, the period has ceased to run." Notice of Dec.10, 1985 (1061 O.G. 34-35).

NOTE: See 37 C.F.R. Section 1.645 for extensions of time in interference proceedings and 37 C.F.R. Section 1.550(c) for extensions of time in reexamination proceedings.

7. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. Section 1.136 apply.

(complete (a) or (b) as applicable)

(a) ☐ Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.136 (fees: 37 C.F.R. Section 1.17(a)(1)-(4)) for the total number of months checked below:

Extension (months)	Fee for other than small entity	Fee for small entity
<input type="checkbox"/> one month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
<input type="checkbox"/> two months	\$ 400.00	\$ 200.00
<input type="checkbox"/> three months	\$ 920.00	\$ 460.00
<input type="checkbox"/> four months	\$1,440.00	\$ 720.00

Fee \$ _____

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

(check and complete the next item, if applicable)

☐ An extension for _____ months has already been secured, and the fee paid therefor of \$ _____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$ _____

OR

(b) ☒ Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

FEE PAYMENT

8. ☐ Attached is a check in the sum of \$ _____.

☐ Charge Account No. _____ the sum of \$ _____.
A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

FEE DEFICIENCY

9.

NOTE: If there is a fee deficiency and there is no authorization to charge an account, additional fees are necessary to cover the additional time consumed in making up the original deficiency. If the maximum, six-month period has expired before the deficiency is noted and corrected, the application is held abandoned. In those instances where authorization to charge is included, processing delays are encountered in returning the papers to the PTO finance Branch in order to apply these charges prior to action on the cases. Authorization to charge the deposit account for any fee deficiency should be checked. See the Notice of April 7, 1986, 1065 O.G. 31-33.

10. [X] If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Account No. 04-1105 .

SIGNATURE(s)

Peter F. Corless

(type or print name of person signing statement)



Signature

Jan 9, 2002
Date

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- ☒ Practitioner of record
- ☐ Filed under Rule 34(a)
- ☐ Registration No.
- ☐ Other

(complete the following, if applicable)

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A "STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. Section 3.73(b)" is attached.

Assignment recorded in PTO on _____

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